## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## FOR PLANNING PURPOSES

Elected Officials, Caltrans Executives and Crews Keep California Beautiful

Annual Earth Day Roadway Clean-up Across Los Angeles and Ventura Counties

**WHAT:** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), elected officials and volunteers will be rolling up their sleeves and picking up litter across freeways in Los Angeles and Ventura counties in recognition of Earth Day. Maintenance crews will then stack orange bags to illustrate how much is gathered in one day.

WHEN: Friday, April 20 from 8:45 a.m. to noon.

WHO: Caltrans District Director Carrie Bowen

Senator Anthony Portantino, District 25

Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez, District 52

Assemblymember Mike Gipson, District 64

Los Angeles City Councilmember David Ryu, Fourth District

Representatives for Senator Ben Allen, District 26; Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin,

District 44; Assemblymember Ian Calderon, District 57; Los Angeles County supervisors

Hilda Solis, First District, and Sheila Kuehl, Third District; and Ventura County

supervisors Steve Bennett, District 1, and Linda Parks, District 2.

## WHERE:

- Interstate 105 in Compton
- US-101 in Sherman Oaks
- Interstate 10 in Pomona
- Interstate 210 in Pasadena

- US-101 in Camarillo
- Interstate 405 near Sunset Blvd
- Interstate 605 in City of Industry

**WHY:** Litter can clog storm drains, get wrapped in axles or harm wildlife. It also puts motorists and Caltrans maintenance crews in harm's way. Last year, Caltrans District 7 removed nearly 20,000 cubic yards of litter at a cost of **\$3.3 million** – money that could be spent on transportation infrastructure improvements and maintenance.

**Photo Op**: intensive cleanup across the region with elected officials taking part. **Please call** Caltrans for more information on meeting locations and to arrange safe access to the clean-up sites.





